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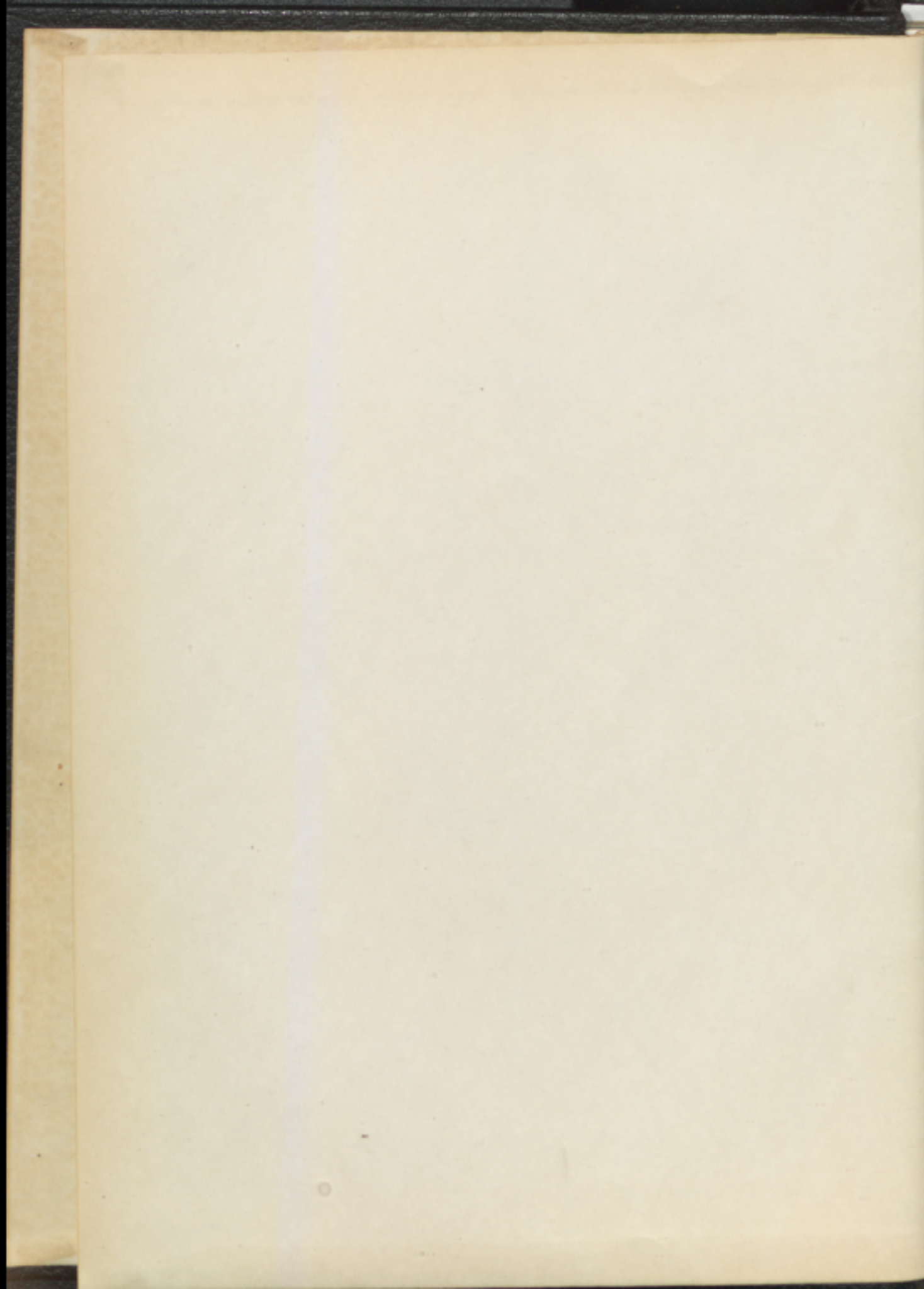
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This attractive photograph of a Boy Scout was drawn on the typewriter by Rosaire Belanger, Biddeford's expert on this sort of work. (See Page 12.)

THE FRONT COVER

A photographer has visited every one of the Pepperell Mills and taken a great many interesting portraits of people while they were at their work. On the front cover you will see four of these out of more than 200 that were taken. In the upper left is Mrs. Florence Jennings, a creel hand and winder in the Rayon Mill in Fall River, who was married recently to James Jennings a knot tier in the same Mill. In the upper right is Mr. Ralph Victor, who has been employed in the Lewiston Bleachery for 16 years as a calender man. He is married and has seven children, with a daughter working in the sheet factory. In the lower left is Mr. Ulric Cabana, loomfixer in the Blanket Department, who has been with Pepperell 10 years. He has four children, including a son who is a dentist in Biddeford. In the lower right is Miss Margaret O'Brien, who has been a web drawer at Biddeford for 21 years. She is well known in the Mill and around the city.

NOTES OF INTEREST

FALL RIVER

The Pepperell Social Club is keeping up the good work.

The last of November we had a Barn Dance. Mrs. Jennie Cabral was chairman. One section of the hall was decorated as the barnyard. The costumes were

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There are five generations shown in this group. Mr. Wilfred Duperre, Age 23; Mrs. Pierre Duperre, Age 42; Mrs. Georgianna Doucette, Age 61; Mrs. Adelina Bedard, Age 82; and Miss Yvette Duperre, 2 months old. Mr. Duperre works in the Spinning Department, Plant B, Fall River.

An Interesting Story

On Page 3 you will find a story that has a lot of meaning, not only to the people who work in Pepperell's New England Mills, but also to thousands of other people in New England — those who work in other cotton-textile mills, and those who have a broad interest in New England as a good place in which to live and work.

This story tells about the difference in wage scales that prevail in other parts of the country, as far as the cotton-textile industry is concerned. Some of this may look uninteresting to read, because you don't like to look at figures. But these figures are so important to you and the work that you do, it is worth reading them carefully and then thinking over what they mean.

The figures that you will see are not a guess. They aren't the result of any person's ideas. They are actual facts. Because they tell a story that is absolutely true, you can look at them and then form your own opinions without being influenced in any way.

Pepperell has put these facts into this story so that you can have an opportunity to see far beyond your present job. For, behind every job in the Mill there are broad movements going on that, in the end, have a direct effect on each of the people who works in the Mills. It is a good idea, from time to time, to stand back and take a broad look.

David A. Cook

Mill Manager

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mostly overalls and gingham dresses. Prizes were awarded to the lucky ticket holders. Refreshments were served. It was a big success.

Then came the New Year's Eve Dance. Al Westgate was chairman. The hall was decorated with red, white, blue and green crepe paper. Supper was served from 10.30 to 11.30. Noise makers, hats and balloons were passed around. After 12.00 dancing followed. Everyone had a good time.

Lewiston Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party at the Lewiston Office was held Friday afternoon, December 22, from three until six o'clock. Lester Davis again impersonated Santa Claus and made his usual hit.

Gifts were distributed from a gaily decorated Christmas tree and all present fared well at the hands of St. Nicholas. Besides the many humorous gifts, there were boxes of chocolates for the ladies and cartons of cigarettes for the men.

A buffet luncheon was served and entertainment was furnished by Kay Jackson and Joe Michaud in vocal duets. Tom Anthoine in vocal solos, piano solos by Phyllis Bartlett and Anita Fournier, and several selections by the "Harmony Four," Blanche Sherry, Margaret Welch, John Murphy, and Frank O'Connell.

The highlight of the affair was the piano playing by Walter Pik, our German refugee. Walter played several classical selections and brought the audience to their feet with the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

Group singing of Christmas carols brought this very enjoyable affair to a happy close.



Dianne and Yvonne Roy, children of Mrs. Alice Roy, an employee in Winding Department, Plant B, at Fall River.

Uno Harta, who is employed in the office at Lewiston, is a quiet chap but he makes up for this by being extremely expert on skis.



BIDDEFORD FOREMAN'S CLUB

The second annual ball sponsored by the Foreman's Club was successfully held on December 9th. Mr. Winfield Hooper, chairman, together with Charles Leach and Seldon Emery made up the committee in charge of the evening program. The Philharmonic Orchestra, directed by our own Joe Martin, furnished the music which was very well accepted. Old-fashioned dances proved very entertaining. Coca-Cola was served gratis to all.

Seven prizes were given away, consisting of two sets of sheets, pillow cases, bath towels and face cloths, and five blankets of 50% and 25% wool construction. Paul Wentworth and Mrs. Rose Dupras of 25 B Winding were the lucky winners of the sets, with Marcel Beaudoin, Henry Lachance, Edwin Perreault, Paul Houseas and William Macomber holding the lucky numbers for blankets. Proceeds from the dance were transferred to the Relief Fund for employees.

The election of officers for the Foreman's Club was held last month, with Francis Spencer chosen for President; William Sweetsir, Vice President; Seldon Emery, Treasurer; Henry Margerison, Secretary. A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring officers, and well it should, for it was one of the most successful years the Club has had since it was formed.

The December meet of the Club was held in the Athletic Hall with Mr. Herbert R. Bean, Principal of the Old Orchard High School, as guest speaker. Mr. Bean chose Current Events as his subject and delivered his talk so well that many members said that they could have listened for another hour. As a surprise to all, the five girls who modeled for the Thursday Club again displayed their garments in a very acceptable way. Entertainment in this form did not make any of the members very angry.

WHAT IS AHEAD OF PEPPERELL IN NEW ENGLAND?

HERE ARE SOME FACTS OF
IMPORTANCE TO EVERYONE

Your home in Biddeford, or Fall River, or Lewiston, just the same as the homes of 8,500,000 other people, is in one of the most famous, most cherished, and most deeply honored sections of the country — New England. Within these six states a major part of the history of America has been made, not only in the political development of the country but in its industrial development.

The first cotton mill in America was started in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and with the start of that mill, New England led off as one of the first intensely industrial areas in the world. Within these six states, cotton mills grew, shoe factories were built, machine



tool and metal establishments grew and flourished. Hundreds of other industries took deep root in this New England land, and in the people who lived here. And the people, by their own choice lent their hands and their skill to the growth of these mills and factories.

Back in 1830 the states of New England had a population of slightly under 2,000,000 people, and remember, that was only a little more than a hundred years ago. By 1900 this number had grown to about five and a half million, and today it's about eight and a half million. Into this section came people from Europe, from Canada, and they came because they felt the opportunities of this land were greater and more full than the countries they had left.

An Important Group

In New England alone, at the present time, there are over half a million people who have come from Canada to make their homes, and half of these are French-speaking people. These French-speaking people comprise by far the largest single group of any now living in New England, who were born outside the United States. And of course, because this figure does not include the sons and daughters of these people, sons and daughters who were born in this



country, it is clear that these French people who have made New England their permanent home are one of the most important groups in this section.

Everyone Helped

It would be a hard thing to do, but it would be interesting to be able to evaluate the help and the work that has been contributed by the people who work in New England factories to the growth of this section as a whole. Especially is this true in the cotton-textile industry, for New England for many years made the major part of the cotton textiles which were produced in the United States. The mills of New England set a pace which not only other sections, but other countries have tried to follow.

A Drastic Change

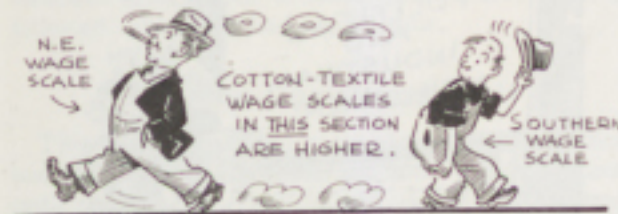
It is only natural that over a period of time, other people and other sections might try to make the same kind of products that were made in New England. This has happened widely in the cotton-textile industry, and it has happened in a few short years. Practically everyone is aware of the trend for cotton-textile mills to move to the South, where many factors seem more favorable than in New England. But this is not an unhealthy thing. There should be sufficient business to satisfy everyone, provided New England mills, and the people who work in them, realize all the things that must be done to maintain the high place of cotton-textiles in this section.

You will hear many reasons why textile mills can find more favorable conditions for operating in other

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parts of the country. You hear of lower taxes, lower power rates, of cheaper freight rates on raw cotton, and many other things. But underneath it all, probably the most important reason why manufacturers tend to feel that New England has not all the advantages that it might have, is because wage scales in this section, as far as the cotton-textile industry is con-



cerned, are substantially higher than they are in other sections.

For instance, the most recent government report showing the difference between the wage rates in Northern and Southern Mills was issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in August, 1938. At that time it showed that the average rate per hour paid to people in Northern mills was 8.1 cents an hour higher than the average paid to workers in Southern mills.

Figure It Out Easily

This doesn't seem like a great difference, nor does it seem like one that would mean much to the people who work in Northern mills. But you can figure it out for yourself. Allowing for a forty-hour week, it makes a difference in the average weekly wage paid to Northern employees which is \$3.24 higher than that paid to those in the South. Over a period of one year, allowing for fifty weeks in the year, the Northern worker is paid, on the average, \$162.00 more than the worker in the South.

And In One Year —

To follow this through, if you apply this difference to a mill employing 2,000 people, the payroll of a Northern mill of this size, in the course of a year, will be greater by \$324,000 than a Southern mill of the same size. It is to the credit of the people of New England that they have a wage scale which gives them advantages that are not equaled by those in other sections of the country.

What Happened Then —

It seems only logical that such a substantial difference in the wage rates of mills operating in the North should bring about some disadvantages, both to the mills and to the people who work in them. Back in 1922-23, the average number of people employed in the cotton-textile industry in the two states of Maine and Massachusetts was 127,517. But for the years 1937-38 this number had dropped over one-half, so that the average number of people employed in the industry fifteen years later was 56,189.

These few comparisons show what the people of New England interested in the cotton-textile industry are up against. A great deal of the future success of the industry in New England lies in the hands of the



people who work in these mills, for they can be the ones who are most interested in a steady flow of cloth from New England looms.

Pepperell believes that wage rates in New England are not too high in themselves, but that it is only fair for everyone to know that within the industry these wage rates are substantially higher than they are elsewhere. One of the most important jobs any industry has is that of paying the people who work in it the highest possible wages that the industry allows.

A Good Future

Pepperell feels that the tradition and the future of New England are important things to everyone who works, maintains a home in, and appreciates the advantages of this part of the country. You probably realize that Pepperell is one of the largest manufacturers of cotton textiles in New England, that one of the largest groups of people employed by a New England manufacturer supplies its skill and pride to making cloth from Pepperell looms.

You have a big stake not only in New England



industry itself, but in this section as a whole. As a company, Pepperell believes that the people in New England, not only those who work in its mills, but thousands of others, have a deep hope that the cotton-textile industry here will flourish and continue to be of real value to the employees who are a very real and important part of it.

**Think Safety — Act Safely
For Yourself and For
Your Family**

**JIM ANDERTON IS AN
ENGINEER BY HERITAGE**

It has often been said that the engines are the heart beat of any factory or mill. At the Fall River Mill, Mr. James B. Anderton is the engineer of the two engines and has been since the Mill was purchased by the Pepperell.

A Sailor, Too

Jim, as he is more familiarly known, was born in Blackburne, England, and got his first job when a boy as water tender on the steamship "Ivernia". He crossed the "puddle" thirty-two times on this boat. From this job he went to the Salmon Falls Mfg. Co., in New Hampshire, as tender of water wheels.

Like practically every other man, some time during his life the railroad appealed to Mr. Anderton. He was hired by the Boston & Maine as a fireman. By



One of the best known and well-liked employees at Fall River is Engineer James Anderton. He is shown here with one of the engines he operates.

this time he had become very much interested in horses as a sort of hobby. The World War broke out and he joined the U. S. Cavalry. Off and on since then he has owned horses and you will recall on page 14 of the last issue of the *Sheet*, Jim is shown riding his steed.

Since our Chief Engineer has worked for Pepperell he has never lost a day because of sickness or accident. Of course these engines are beginning to show their age but for the last two years they have never been stopped for breakdowns or any reason other than week-ends or holidays. This is important because with them down it means loss of production in the mill. Not that any of us would think of doing it, but Jim can touch these engines anywhere while in motion. A good trick but we will let him have all honors.

Just an ordinary, plain good engineer, and he really can't help it. During the last four generations of the family there have been thirty-six engineers. A sort of inborn occupation to Jim, which makes him a valuable man to Pepperell in Fall River.

You may not believe it, but Ernest Collard of Room 84-A in Biddeford was the champion speed skater of last season. He is to defend this title very shortly.



This little fellow receives a lot of attention from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rosaire Perreault. Raymond's Dad is a Chain Builder in 132 Blanket Weave Room at Biddeford.

Joseph Boyd gives his sister, Lois, a "piggy-back" ride. Their father, Joseph Boyd, works in the Card Room, Plant B, at Fall River.



**ROSE LARIVIERE HAS A
HOBBY COLLECTING MANY
KINDS OF TRINKETS**



Miss Rose Lariviere, who is employed in Biddeford Sheetting Cloth Room, has in recent years, acquired a very interesting and unique hobby of collecting Knick-Knacks. She enjoys collecting them and further admits they are dust collectors; but since she is not required to do the dusting she still is collecting the little trinkets.

Grows Fast

This collection which started with a few dogs and elephants has gradually grown to what could be called a miniature zoo, likenesses of famous characters together with other miscellaneous subjects.

First, let us take a trip through the zoo. We find Zebras, Monkeys, Bears, Elephants, Mules, Deer, Alligators, Pelicans and Ostriches. Most of them closely resemble the original subject, while others are so grotesque and weird that a person would feel more like Alice in Wonderland or the Wizard of Oz than an ordinary visit through this collection of animals.

The barnyard contains enough healthy looking animals and birds to warm the heart of any farmer. This collection includes Sheep, Horses, Pigs, Roosters, Chickens and Turkeys.

If you for once think that Rose has neglected the canine you are wrong. The kennels contain a wide variety of dogs including those of Wire Haired Terriers, Scotties, Boston Bulls and Cocker Spaniels. Incidentally boys, Rose expressed her approval for puppies layed in a roll with plenty of mustard.

How Did It Happen?

But how and where did Miss Lariviere collect these souvenirs, as many of them are? Beside those she collected, her friends and "pen-pals" gave to her. They come from different parts of the United States, France and Canada. She has well over a hundred of them. They are made of various substances such as wood, china, glass, bronze, celluloid, blown glass, yarn, plush, pine cones and sea shells.

Her favorite in this collection, and well she may choose them, is a small pair of sabots, which were sent to her from France. These carved wooden shoes are a copy of the real sabots worn by the peasantry of France. Sabots, you know, are worn with heavy woolen stockings and the shoes are removed upon entering a house.

Take Your Choice

Other interesting items include a doll made from different kinds of nuts; a beautiful deer made from blown glass resembling silver; a clam shell which when opened contains a black substance mounted on hidden springs to make it seem like something very much alive; a Chinese Rickshaw; Statue of Liberty; Mickey Mouse and of course Pop Eye. Her latest addition is "Mr. Peanut" from her recent visit to the World's Fair.

The statement Miss Lariviere made after showing the trinkets was very fitting indeed. It was this: "These Knick-Knacks are of little cash value, yet they are highly treasured by me for the sentiment attached to each one."

Here is handsome Michael Lombardo, whose father is a Second Hand in the Fall River Rayon Weaving Mill.



ERNEST WHALON IS SKILLED WITH SKETCH PAD AND PENCIL



Ernest G. Whalon, Jr., sketching a picture for this issue of the Sheet. Read the following story which outlines his work in doing drawings for us.

Since the Fall River Division was introduced to the Sheet we have been favored with portrait sketches drawn by Ernest G. Whalon, Jr.

If we called him Ernest no one would know of whom we were speaking, so we will call him by the name everyone uses — Gardner.

Simple As Pie

During his school years he showed a natural inclination for drawing. His parents, noticing this, sent him to an art school where he majored in life and portrait drawing. In 1932 the first results began to appear. Since then he has done considerable of this work for people in and about Fall River.

Let us take a walk out to his office where he is about to sketch one of the persons shown elsewhere in this issue. He takes out his illustration board with a hard finish, which resembles a rather thick piece of white cardboard. He asks the person to sit in a chair about six feet from him and be as natural as possible. Not being seated in a dentist's chair he asks him to feel perfectly relaxed.

How To Do It

Gardner stretches out his arm with a pencil held upright in his hand and measures the length of the person's face, recording his findings on the illustration board. The same happens for the width of the face. Then the eyes, nose, mouth and ears are recorded in like manner. Expression lines are added, shading is drawn and there is the picture complete. It certainly looked simple to do, the way Gardner did it.

When you see these portraits in your magazine look them over and notice the fine resemblance there is to the person drawn. Gardner has been working for the Pepperell eight years now and is soon to have charge of the new central stock room.



Mr. J. Arthur Cloutier, Office Manager at Lewiston. A good sport and a fine fellow makes him well liked by all at the Bleachery.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

(Answers found on page 12)

1. How many children listed in Biddeford schools?
2. How many yards to a hank, the unit of productive measure on frames in Carding and Spinning?
3. What does the monument in Biddeford City Square commemorate? (This was asked a group of high school students and not one knew the answer.)
4. Are the Stars and Stripes ever flown from our Biddeford Mill buildings?
5. How many Biddeford First Aid treatments last year?



Alfred Pisson, 10 month old grandson of John Bossiese, a Sliver and Ribbon Tender in the Carding Dept. of Mill B at Fall River.



**JOHN
LIBBY
SPEAKS
UP**

Lewiston Bleachery still claims Mr. John Libby as their own. His distinguished voice makes him even more popular than ever among our State announcers.

Not everyone in Lewiston or Biddeford realizes that one of the announcers at radio station WCOU in Lewiston was formerly employed at the Bleachery. He is John Libby, who for seven years was on the payroll. He accepted the position as announcer in July, 1939, but had previously specialized in sports broadcasts while at the Bleachery.

He is an ardent sports fan, especially baseball, and his vivid descriptions of play by play results keep his audience very attentive. His deep, clear cut voice is easily carried over the air waves to make fine reception in our home radio loud speakers.

First Radio Lesson

WCOU, owned and managed by Le Messenger, a French newspaper, has had its power stepped up once and it is hoped within a short time to have this duplicated. It will also be interesting to note in a short time of the changes in advertising methods employed by the station, for which Mr. Libby is partly responsible. It is expected the listening public will receive this change very warmly. Incidentally, if any of us expect to talk, or act, before a microphone, the best reception can be had by being about four feet from it.

Can You Recognize Him?

This station, which at present can be heard very well in the radius of sixty miles, is proud of its announcers and technicians. You will remember that during the Style Show this station sent out nearly an hour of the program.

The next time you tune in on WCOU see if you can recognize the voice of Mr. Libby. He speaks very highly of all employees at the Bleachery.

**HOW WARM IS A WARM
BLANKET?
Machine Tells All**

Here in our laboratory at Biddeford we have constructed and in operation a device known as the "Heat Transmission Apparatus." It is designed to duplicate the actual use of a blanket on a bed.

The equipment is really a simple piece of apparatus. It consists of an electrical refrigerator in which is a cylinder. This cylinder contains heat kept at constant body temperature. A blanket is wrapped around the cylinder and cold air from the cooling unit of the refrigerator is blown on the blanket by a fan. The temperature of the air is near freezing point.

A Good Hot One

Now that we have the equipment built in our minds let us see how the tests are made. As different samples of blankets are used, the amount of current required to keep the heat at body temperature, expressed in watts per ounce of blanket, shows the relative warmth between different blankets tested.

Since these tests have only been made for several months not all comparisons are complete. It is interesting to know, however, that Triple-Weave blankets, such as Early American and Spinning Wheel 50% wool construction, exceed in warmth some all wool blankets now on the market by competitors.



Paulette Hardy and her new husband Gerard Fortin. This picture was taken on their wedding day. They are employed in Fall River Weaving, Mill B.

TONGUES LASH IN BATTLE OF BIDDEFORD WITS

In going about the Biddeford mill in quest of stories your reporter heard a few on the humorous side of life. Some of them were so good that it seems they should be passed on for you to enjoy. They cannot be verified but are printed as told to him.

Charles Whitworth of 21-C Picker was seen a great deal last summer at the Old Orchard horse racing track. His wife told him one evening that she put his shirt on the clothes horse. "What odds did I get?" asked Charlie looking up from reading the paper.

Oh! Oh!

Jeannette White of the Slasher Room, who recently purchased a new Dodge car, was driving up a street in a nearby city when a policeman stopped her. "Don't you know what I mean when I hold up my hand?" asked the officer. Jeannette replied, "I ought to. We always did it in school."

Bill Leighton, who was doing some carpenter work in the Blanket Cloth Room, told one of the many fair ladies there that he couldn't see what keeps the women from freezing. He got this pert reply. "You aren't supposed to."

"Stan" Murdock, our efficient chemist, asked Joe Dumont for some prepared monoaceticacidester of salicylic acid. Joe scratched his head and said, "Do you mean aspirin, Stan?" "Yes, I never can remember that name."

Fred Grace, of the Machine Shop, was on his way to ask "Honey" Cole a question about some work that was performed some time ago. Fred greeted him by saying, "Honey, I'm going to tax your memory about —" But Mr. Cole interrupted by replying, "Good gosh, has it come to that? One tax after another."

William Woods of the Time Study Department contributes this bit of knowledge. "Winter is not colder than summer because the sun is farther away from the earth, but because the sun's rays strike the earth at a more oblique angle during the winter. Actually," he continued, "the sun is nearer the earth during the winter than the summer." Willie's daughter was questioned as to her father's intelligence and she replied, "My Daddy is also very smart with a broom and dust cloth. The neighbors call him 'One Wipe Willie'."

Phyllis LePage, weaver in Mill B at Fall River, is an ardent sports fan. She was awarded a Red Cross swimming emblem and has the honor of saving a life from drowning. We are proud to have Phyllis as our room reporter.



Officers of the Pepperell Social Club of Fall River, left to right: Irene Michel, Treasurer; Viola Bartsch, Vice-President; Ruth Crompton, Secretary; Alfred Thibault, President.





Mr. Guyer, at the Fall River Social Club Barn Dance. We wonder who the friend is in his right hand. The story about the Barn Dance is on Page 1.

NO THUMBS ON SCALES

Good scales, kept in accurate weighing condition, is one of the many policies Pepperell maintains. In the plant at Biddeford there are some forty scales of different types. There are fourteen of these that are more apt to be off balance than the others. These are located in the Picker departments and Cloth Rooms and are examined and tested daily. Leonard Emmons has been "sworn in" as the official examiner.

Does Important Job

To show how important this testing is let us look at a simple illustration. In the picker rooms if the laps actually come up to the standard weight but the scales weigh too heavy, the laps are made lighter and the cloth produced from these laps is light. The customer purchasing this cloth complains about it and it may result in a loss of future orders involving hundreds of dollars. All that just because the scales failed to weigh accurately.

Biggest And Smallest

The largest scale here is the new one installed a few weeks ago at the Cotton House. This can weigh up

to 5,000 pounds. It is called the Weightograph scale. It is arranged to set the scale for tare and the weight of the bale of cotton will show up on a piece of frosted glass, very easily read from a distance of fifteen feet. A common 60 Watt light and magnifying lens placed behind the reading scale casts a shadow on the frosted glass, thus making the figures easily read from any angle. It is really the best thing in scales.

The smallest scale is used daily in the Laboratory. This can weigh to one ten-millionth of a pound. In other words, it will give the weight of a pencil mark or weight of moisture in the thread.

Good scales, correct weights and quality product make satisfied customers.



You wouldn't have much trouble to prove that these three young ladies are all sisters, Theresa M., Lorraine E., and Alice R. Goulet of Fall River. Their father is a Weaver in Fall River.



"ROLAND COLLARD IS SO INTERESTED IN THE MILL SCHOOL CLASSES, THAT WHEN HIS WIFE ASKED HIM FOR SUPPER, HE SEEMS DEAF."



Biddeford girls seem to like modeling. Shown above are Anna Tsomides, Mina Wright, Lauretta Archambeault, Vivian Bizantakos and Evelyn Bois, as they paraded before the Thursday Club at the McArthur Library in Biddeford.

A PRIZE IN EVERY SHOVELFUL — IF YOU'RE LUCKY

After the story of our Biddeford canals was printed in the last issue it caused no little comment among individuals, groups and institutions. It may interest you to know what was found in the dirt deposited in the canal from the flood.

To begin with, there was twenty thousand cubic feet of deposit that was removed. This represents an

area 66 feet long, 50 feet wide and six feet high, or about 1250 tons. The men who shoveled it out got a "surprise in every shovel" it seems. A dozen golf balls were found that evidently came from the golf links in the mountains. A housewife must have had no warning of the incoming water, as a washboiler full of clothes was unearthed. A couple of logs, stumps, a large metal receptacle six feet in diameter, to say nothing of over 500 automobile tires that were found and listed by the men as miscellaneous findings. Apparently the water contacted a saw mill, for in this deposit was a strata of sawdust and shavings as evenly placed as we would find a layer of rocks in a gravel pit.

Practically every shovel scoop meant the uncovering of some new item resulting from an act of God. No doubt as the years roll by more material will be found in this community which will recall to many of the inhabitants the flood of 1936.



The dapper gentleman shown above is Tom Conley, one of Lewiston's star bowlers. If we have another style show we would be sure to choose Mona Conley as one of the models. Mona is a Sheet Factory Employee.



Mabel Turcotte, of Lewiston, surprised by the camera-man as she was hemstitching pillow cases. Mabel takes weekly swimming lessons at the Y. M. C. A.

SCOUTMASTER ALBERT BAKER MAKES HIS HOBBY COUNT



You might be able to tell a man by the company he keeps, but you also can tell a man by his hobby. With some it is the collecting of stamps while with others it is the gathering of snapshots, but with Albert Baker, supervisor of papering and packing in the Sheet Factory, it is scouting.

Many Honors

As Scoutmaster of Troop 180, Lewiston, Albert spends all his spare time with his boys performing the many duties incidental with his calling. Baker is Neighborhood Commissioner, Central District, of the Pine Tree Council. Baker is the holder of a Scoutmaster's Key presented to him at the Scout Jamboree held at Camp Keys, Augusta, Maine, June 1938, by Governor Barrows. This award represents five years of continuous service as scoutmaster with the passing of all the required training courses.

This certainly is a man-size hobby because the supervision and training of a troop of forty-five eager young boys is quite a task in itself. It requires tact, leadership, and patience.

A Big Family

"The boys kid me a lot about being a bachelor, but I have a larger family to look after than anybody in the Bleachery," he said chuckling. "When we took the boys on a 1300 mile trip through Canada I had to be both father and mother to them."

"Tell us about that trip?" we asked.

"Well, we chartered a private bus and thirty-four of the boys made the trip," he said. "We went to

Sherbrooke, Montreal, Three-Rivers, Victoriaville and returned home by way of northern Maine. We camped in the open, cooked our own food, and applied all the scout lore we had learned in the classroom to actual everyday practice. It was a lot of work, but it was a lot of fun, too."

Baker is a Lewiston High man graduating in 1923. He was active in sports patrolling the hot corner on the baseball team for three years. He was captain of the baseball team in his senior year. He has also been active with the Lewiston High Alumni Association being treasurer for three years.

Baker is active and interested in his work. He takes great pains in doing his work well and he is dependable. His word is as good as his bond. He has been with the Bleachery since December 10, 1923.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ on Page 7

1. Total 4426. Public 1423; Parochial 3003.
2. 840 yards.
3. The Civil War and was erected in honor of the soldiers and sailors.
4. Yes, on fair days from No. 2 and No. 31 buildings. The only place the flag can be flown day and night, fair and stormy weather is from the Capitol at Washington.
5. 2730.



Cute little Joan Lauzier thinks it's about time that "boiled dinner" arrived. Joan's daddy, Hervey Lauzier, is elevator man in the Biddeford Blanket Division.



Paul Pelletier, of Biddeford, brother of Diana and Jeannette Pelletier of the Blanket Dept. This young lady is Lorraine Lachance, 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludger Lachance, of 25-B at Biddeford.



**THE ORIGINAL
JOY-KILLERS
WERE
BIDDEFORD'S OLD
SUNDAY BLUE LAWS.**

CARTOONED HERE
ARE A FEW OF THE
ACTUAL CASES
IN WHICH THE ACCUSED
WERE TRIED AND
FOUND GUILTY.

TWO LOVERS
WERE ACCUSED
AND TRIED FOR
"SITTING TOGETHER
ON THE LORD'S DAY
UNDER AN
APPLE TREE
IN GOODMAN
CHAPMAN'S
ORCHARD."



FOR "WETTING A PIECE
OF AN OLD HAT TO PUT IN HIS
SHOE" TO PROTECT HIS FOOT
A SOLDIER WAS FINED.



A HOUSE WIFE WAS FINED
FOR WRINGING AND
HANGING OUT
CLOTHES.



THE YOUNG FOLKS
GOT ONE BREAK!
THE LAW WOULDN'T
LET YOU WASH
DISHES ON SUNDAY.



AS LATE AS 1858 MEN WERE
FORBIDDEN TO SMOKE ON THE STREET
BECAUSE IT "PERMEATED THE AIR"
CAUSING WOMEN TO FAINT.
(THE GIRLS MUST BE STURDIER NOW!)



THE CAPTAIN OF A SAILING VESSEL
WAS MADE TO SIT FOR TWO HOURS
IN THE PUBLIC STOCKS - BECAUSE
HE KISSED HIS WIFE "PUBLICLY"
ON THE DOORSTEPS OF HIS HOUSE
WHEN HE RETURNED FROM A
VOYAGE LASTING THREE YEARS.

AMERICA LOOKS AHEAD
AND THESE BRIGHT
YOUNGSTERS WILL
HELP A LOT TO
MAKE IT A BRIGHT FUTURE



Jacqueline and Pauline, twin daughters of Fred Marquis, Box Shop employee at Lewiston.



Rita Lalonde was one year old when this picture was taken. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lalond, are employed in the Lewiston Division.



A fourth generation young lady is Dorothy Hubert, one year old daughter of Ralph and Lorraine Hubert. Both sides of Dorothy's family have worked for Pepperell.



This is little Theresa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lefevre of Biddeford Sheet Spinning. Mrs. Lefevre was Marie Ange Martel before her marriage.



Eva Belleville is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Belleville. Mr. Belleville is employed in Napping Room No. 2.



Emelia Reis, 11 year old daughter of Mrs. Emelia Reis, is shown here with some of her schoolmates. Her mother is employed in Winding Dept., Plant B, Fall River.



"Of course I'm happy," says Norman Cantara. "My mother, Mugilla Cantara, is working in the Blanket Cloth Room at Biddeford and I'm looking forward to the future with a big smile."

A very talented young man is Maurice Gendron, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gendron. Be sure to hear him play his violin sometime.



Delores, daughter of Mrs. Mary King, a Winder Hand in Plant B, at Fall River.



Just like a doll is Pauline, one year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward St. Cyr. Mrs. St. Cyr is a Doubler in the Sheet Factory in Lewiston.

Jacqueline Pepin, 3 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Pepin. Jeff is Work distributor on the Second Shift in Biddeford Blanket Cloth Room.



WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

THE BIDDEFORD STAFF

The following names are those of persons to tell your news and stories to. Tell them about yourself, as we all want to read about you. A few years from now you, too, will enjoy it, even more than today.

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD

Editor

SHEETING DIVISION

PROCESS	SHIFT	MILL DEPT.	REPORTER
Carding	1	2	Sarah Whitworth
	1	4-5	Paul Leblond
	2	2	Oscar Blanchette
	2	4-5	Raymond Gendron
Spinning	All	24	Joseph Cook
	1	24 B-C	Delicia Frechette
	1	25 B-C	Fernand Fecteau
	1	54-B	Adrien Lefevre
	1	55 A-B	Conrad Baillargeon
	1	84 A-B	John Twomey
	1	Wind.	Renald Lauzon
	2	24 B-C	Fernand Lefevre
	2	25 B-C	Evelyn Trembley
	2	54 B	Rose Rouselle
	2	55 A-B	Rose Baillargeon
	2	84 A-B	Henry Binette
Slashing Weaving	2	Wind.	Gertrude Beaulieu
	2	Wind.	Noella Montpas
	All	65-85	Max Libby, Jr.
	1	71-81-92-10-2	Leo Labrecque
	1	53-82-83-93	Myrtle Poore
	2	71-81-92-10-2	Armand Arel
	2	53-82-83-93	Anna Bergeron
	2	131	Alice McDowell
	All	19-20	Mary Goldthwaite

BLANKET DIVISION

Dye House	All	35	Raoul Pothier
Spinning	All	153	Merilda Bernier
Jack Twist.	All	155	Edwina Rutkewicz
Weaving	All	132	Ernest Guillemette
Napping	All	132	Alice Cote
Cloth Room	All	16	Rose Bouthot
	All	16	Catherine Bizantakos

TOWEL DIVISION

Cloth Room	All	3	Natalie Keene
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TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

¶ Well, here it is — the New Year. Of course everyone is wondering what it will bring forth, seeing it's Leap Year. But some of the girls in the Towel Department have no need to worry, judging by their Christmas gifts. Is it not so, my pretty maids? And I do mean you, Janet, Jeanne and Leonora.

¶ Speaking of Christmas, a small token of our esteem and appreciation was presented to our boss, Selden Emery. One thing you can be sure of, when Maurice Lemire did the honors, there wasn't a sign of "buck fever."

¶ One of the saddest faces to be seen in the Towel Department these days is that of Josephine. Can it be the absence of our former reporter, Laurence Beaudette? Perhaps the rest of the girls haven't sad faces but we sure miss Laurence in every way. Hope to see you again soon, Laurence.

¶ Did you know we have a second Sonja Henie in our midst — that is, not quite. Ask Ruth Hobbins where it hurts the most.

¶ Our bowling team is certainly progressing. From all reports I believe we are almost tied for the bottom berth. Cheer up, girls, it's only half over.

¶ For everyone's information the "More Tired Than You" club is still in existence. Only recently a birthday party was given to Mrs. Del Mathurin with Mrs. Bessie Eon as hostess. After a short business meeting, an evening of various games was enjoyed. Delicious refreshments were served and all left, wishing Mrs. Mathurin many happy returns of the day.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Mayland Proctor motored to Lewiston recently. Ann Tsomides attended the showing of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" in Portland recently and hasn't been able to sleep since. What's the matter, Ann, can't you take it?

¶ We want to wish all the luck in the world to Mrs. Archie Pruneau, who recently underwent a serious operation.

BLANKET WEAVING — Biddeford

¶ We regret the loss of our stock man, Roland Leclair, but also are glad that he has been given a higher position. Because of his fine qualities and good disposition, he is very much liked by every worker. He had been with us since the establishment of the stock room and has worked very hard to make it what it is today and has been rewarded for his good deeds. Now we realize that some day we will be proud of him for he is an ardent worker and we all wish him the best of luck in his new position.

¶ We hear that Mr. Poitras, our second hand, is in the real estate business. He recently purchased a tract of land and if any one wishes to learn a few things about the land business just mention it to Mr. Poitras and he will gladly give you every detail.

¶ We wonder how R. S. would get along if we had only men employees. Wouldn't it be dead? Eh, Ralph?

¶ Larry was seen the other night with five girls in a car. Now, Larry, won't you leave a couple for the other boys?

¶ What would happen to G. T. if he had to remain around town a few Saturday nights? Wouldn't somebody be lonesome in Dunstan? We wonder!

¶ We want to wish a lot of luck to Cecile Guillette in her married life.



A group of Beau Brummells from Biddeford, photographed at the New York World's Fair. We only recognize Paul Housseas on the extreme left, who is employed in the Blanket Cloth Room. Do you know the other four?



One of the many lucky hunters at Biddeford is George Chabot shown with his 125 lb. deer. Mrs. Flora Chabot is employed in 25-B.

¶ The hunting season was quite a busy one for many of our workmen. Here are some of our sportsmen. Napoleon Nadeau, George Prejean, Andre Bouffard, Paul Campagna and Marcel Boutet. What's the matter, boys? No luck? You all seem to have looked everywhere except the right place.

¶ Andre Bouffard was injured at the beginning of the hunting season. Too bad, Andre.

¶ Napoleon Nadeau had to remain home for a couple of weeks on account of sickness. Better be careful the next time you go out in the woods.

¶ Glad to have with us again, Alexandre Campagna, who has been out a week, due to illness.

¶ Emile Dubois surely must have celebrated on New Year's day for he had to have a few days' rest.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

¶ To you and yours — A Happy New Year. May your days be filled with joy, peace and prosperity throughout the year.

¶ The Blanket Division was very proud to hear that Mr. Francis Spencer, our Overseer, is President of the Foreman's Club. Congratulations, Mr. Spencer. You certainly deserved the office.

¶ Now that Annette Pinette is engaged to Ernest Collard she has had a telephone put in, or is she expecting a call from the Pot of Gold program? Anyway, congratulations to both of you.

¶ Marguerite Hughes attended the Christmas Ball at Saco City Hall. Glad you had such a good time, Maggie.

¶ Blanche Desrochers announced her engagement to Patrick Lamirande on Christmas Day. Good luck, Blanche and Pat.

¶ B. L.'s beau wanted to surprise her this Christmas and went to buy her something she wanted pretty bad. Was she surprised? Gosh, No. She stood outside the store, watching him buy the gift.

¶ Jean Bright has been out of work on account of illness. We are all anxious to see her back soon. We certainly miss her.

¶ Congratulations to Jerry Binette, who was the proud father of a seven pound baby, just before Christmas.

¶ Mary L. came to work lately with a big smile on her face. She won't say much but we would like to know who he is.

¶ Mr. Leslie Martin's daughter and sons were home for Christmas. No wonder he had that happy look on his face after the holidays.

¶ Mrs. Roland Beauregard attended the New Year's Ball at the Elks. Nice picture of you in the *Journal*, Lottie.

¶ What is the real reason that G. F. likes to buy the groceries for her mother? Could it be a certain young man who works there?

¶ We offer Mrs. Helen Guinard our deepest sympathy on her recent bereavement.

¶ What would happen if Adrian L. stopped bothering the girls? (You asked for it.)

¶ Florence Binette is another one of our girls who will walk to the altar. Good luck, Florence.

¶ What young lady in 16-4 almost froze her ankles waiting for the bus one night? What did you say happened to your boy friend's car, Ev?

¶ Lena Metayer spent her New Year's holiday in Boston. Glad you had a good time, Lena.

¶ Just to get even with "Junior" when he teases you, ask him about a certain young miss. (Initials N. V.)

¶ A. P. (in bus) "Has anyone here dropped a roll of bills with a rubber elastic around them?" "Yes, I have," cried a dozen voices at once. A. P. calmly, "Well, I just picked up the elastic."

¶ A. P. certainly fooled a lot of us. By accepting that gift given him (a sling shot) on his birthday he killed a 170 pound deer. And he certainly didn't waste much time in showing it off. You must have seen it parked outside the gate.

¶ Want to go skating, folks? Tell Mary Laliberty or Priscilla Lottinville. They're planning a skating party at Gemma Fortin's place. And real soon, too.

BLANKET NAPPING — Biddeford

¶ Everyone seems to be pleased over their holiday vacation. It seems that Santa was good to all of our friends in the Napping Room.

¶ There is to be a new furniture repairing shop soon. Thomas Jones has a new process of removing paint from furniture. Of course he would have to go fifty-fifty with Rudy.

¶ Have you all of your haying done, Raoul? The farm doesn't seem to agree with him.

¶ Mrs. Alice Nadeau entertained her uncle and aunt of Montreal over the holiday.

¶ Dick is doing very well with his little white slips of paper every Friday!

¶ Tony was out one day last week, due to illness. That is news when Tony is out for one day.

¶ Joe Guay hasn't done anything exciting recently. He is only interested in his chickens and pigeons.

¶ She may be absent-minded. She may be in love. Or, she may have blown out a fuse. But, anyway, one young lady of this department reported to work recently in a freshly laundered uniform, of which only one sleeve had been ironed.

¶ Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday, Tony. Happy birthday to you. His wife bought him a five cent bag of peppermints. Some treat!

¶ We suppose each department has its tight-wad but we claim the champion, and here's why. A fellow who will wait until Monday night to read the previous Friday's paper to save three cents.



This picture formally announces to the readers of the Sheet the engagement of Josephine Burnham to Mr. Harrison A. Littlefield. Miss Burnham is a stenographer in the Biddeford Blanket Division and Mr. Littlefield is associated with the Clark Lumber Company at Clark's Mills.



Verna Lorentzen,
16 yr. old daughter
of William
Lorentzen, our
Boss Piper at
Lewiston.

BLANKET SPINNING — Biddeford

¶ Our most daring girl, Leona D. seems to be getting quite a daring star bowler. What are you going to be daring in next, Leona?

¶ Romeo B. certainly followed the good old French custom on New Year's. After having extended his heartiest greetings to all the girls of 15-5, he certainly celebrated with his girl friend, R. P. He is still smacking his lips. Was it a lolly-pop?

¶ Our friend, Paul Beaupre, has left us again. We all hope that something comes up that will bring him back to us. We all miss you, Paul.

¶ "Hap" seems quite serious lately. Don't tell me that Ogunquit has something to do with it. Don't worry, "Hap" it will soon blow over.

¶ We extend our best wishes to Rita Demarais on her recent engagement to Leo Forest. You'll have plenty of time to practice marching down the aisle before the big event scheduled for July.

¶ Provencher and Binette are waiting for Leap Year. Guess the idea of proposing is too much for them. What about you, Ray? Don't tell me, you are also scared.

¶ It's a wonder Jeannette St. Ours gets her work done. Seems that she spends all her time eating.

BLANKET-SPINNING—What You Will Find in 15-5

Most Cheerful	— Roland St. Ours????
Best Looking	— Cecile Ziminiski
Woman Hater	— Edgar Colette (Who were you out with last night?)
Best Dressed	— Betty Grondin
Man Hater	— "Hap" Polakewich (Maybe)
Best Worker	— Blanche Turgeon
Most Comical	— Elzeur Ruel
Most Romantic	— Robert Ray
Quietest	— Louise Flynn
Most Agreeable	— Mary Cowgill
Most Bashful	— Donald St. Ours

SHEETING SLASHING — Biddeford

¶ Rose Guertin is quite curious to know who left her an unidentified Christmas present, so if anyone has any information Rose wishes they would let her know.

¶ Adelard Houde has been like a man without a country since football stopped, but nevertheless he still can't understand why his pre-season predictions weren't correct.

¶ We understand from a reliable source that Harley Wakefield is going to enter a ski tournament, or is it just the call of the out-of-doors that lures Harley to the White Mountain ski trails.

¶ John Collins and Harold Lebreton are practising bowling a lot lately. It couldn't be the challenge George Cote and Adelard Poisson gave them. Oh, no!

¶ We are sorry to hear of the accident of Adelard Belair and hope for a quick recovery for his wife.

¶ The Slasher Room is definitely back of Mr. Johnson to beat Mr. Sweetsir in an ice fishing contest, which is to be judged by that ardent fisherman, Mr. Brady. That will be the day of days.

¶ We were sorry to hear of the illness of Omer Nolettes' wife and wish her a speedy recovery.

SHEETING WEAVING — Biddeford

¶ Alphee Lambert is the proud father of a baby girl, born Sunday, Dec. 31, 1939.

¶ Andrew Harding is a big, strong man but when it comes to a little mouse around the looms he certainly got weak, and then the nerve of the mouse to get in his lunch box.

¶ Doris and Myrtle, our glamour girls in 83-A, are having buffet lunches every day now.

¶ J. Wood, of 53-B, is proudly displaying a new compact and locket her husband gave her for Christmas.

¶ Germaine Pruneau, of 83, is the lucky girl sporting a diamond ring her boy friend gave her for Christmas.

¶ Rose Paradis received a radio for Christmas from her boy friend and now she can lie in bed and hear sweet music.

¶ It seems we have a magician in our midst, as Henry Horsfield, oiler in 83-A, can make all kinds of letters out of his oil can.

¶ Myrtle had to step pretty lively one morning recently as she overslept, and it seems she had to put the finishing touches on herself on the way from South Portland to Biddeford.

¶ We believe that we have a speed king in 83 and 82, as L. Poisson can travel faster than anyone we know of.

Maybe For Next Christmas

¶ It seems too bad that Santa did not bring more alarm clocks for gifts for Christmas, as we feel some of us could use a new one.

¶ There is a certain loomfixer who took a nose dive the other day. Were you dusting in front of the loom?

¶ They tell us Armand Arel is throwing out his own smoke screen lately but finds it rather costly.

¶ We are sorry to hear that Irene Parent, a battery hand in 13-1, is ill at her home with the grippe. We all hope that you will be back soon, Irene.

¶ It is rumored in 13-1 that Miss Gosselin, a battery hand in 13-1, is going to be a nun. If it is so, I wish you lots of luck in your chosen profession.

¶ Dan Cupid seems to be very busy in 13-1 at the present time. The latest marriage was that of Marie Anna Dumont, a battery hand, to Gerard Dubois. We wish you success in your married life, Marie Anna.

¶ Attention Folks! If you are in need of any furniture just invite Grace Dinan, a battery hand in 13-1. Whenever she goes visiting she always takes a piece of furniture with her. What is the reason, Grace?

¶ We are glad to have Henry Binette, a weaver in 13-1, back with us again after a two weeks' loaf because of a foot ailment.

¶ It looks as if everyone wants to get on the First Shift, even to Octave Legendre. We wish you luck in your new job, Octave.

¶ When Anita Paul, a battery hand in 13-1 starts talking we don't have to do much guessing about it because we all know by now that it is all about "Ray." Am I right, Anita?

Therese Neault,
after she received
her confirmation
on Oct. 8, 1939.
Therese is the
daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Arthur
Neault of Bidde-
ford. Her dad is
a Slubber Tender
in 4-2 and her
mother is a Draw
Frame hand in
3-3.





Merilda Bernier, Spinning Room reporter for the Blanket Division at Biddeford. She will always be pleased to get news from anyone in her department.

SHEETING CARD ROOM — Biddeford

¶ Mr. and Mrs. O. Blanchette and Miss I. Gendron motored to Manchester, N. H., with Mr. and Mrs. "Ted" Shevenelle of the Blanket Department.

¶ Congratulations to Mr. R. Gendron to have selected "Rose" for a bride. We wish you a field of "Roses" in your future.

¶ We observe the seriousness of General Second Hand, Mr. Purdy. We wonder if he is really thinking over the solution of "Test Examinations."

¶ We wish to announce that both Mr. R. Gendron and his bride, Miss Rose Letarte, were tendered joyful parties and lovely gifts by friends and fellow workers.

¶ We all hope that Card Grinder A. Lamirande, of Room 4-2, will have something to show after his two weeks' vacation, 450 miles away from Biddeford, Maine.

¶ Our Charlie Lavigne used to say, "I feel dopey" especially in school. But since he is on a Lamirande job he says "tired." Stick up, Charlie.

¶ Mrs. Eva Michaud went to New Hampshire to visit her parents during the holidays.

¶ Mr. Petrin, our Card Grinder in 4-3, was taken sick while at work. He is now back with us.

¶ Mrs. Verrier, of 5-4 A, attended the Firemen's Ball in Biddeford and Saco. Mrs. Verrier led the Grand March with her husband, who is Captain of the Biddeford Fire Department.

¶ We are very sorry to hear that Mr. Vir, our Fixer in 5-2 A, had an automobile accident which caused injuries to his wife. She is now back at work and we wish them all luck from now on.

¶ I wonder if Cyr, our Card Tender in 4-1, took a good one for Christmas.

¶ Jimmie Lemay, our roving boy, was out sick for a couple of days. He is now feeling fine.

¶ Mrs. Laura Porter took a little vacation a while back and I think she put on a little bit of weight.

¶ The masons made a fine job in fixing the ceilings in 5-3 A and 5-4 A.

¶ I wonder what Mr. Picard, Slubber Tender in 4-3, did for Christmas and New Year's.

¶ Bill Sweetair is studying photography. He made out very well with his work, as the last issue of the *Pepperell Sheet* showed.

¶ Fatty Duquette, of 5-4 A, spent a quiet week-end New Year's.

¶ The Old has gone, the New is in, and may we take this opportunity to wish you a happy and prosperous year.

¶ Rosaire Belanger, our type artist, has been contacted by the United Artists and Authors of Boston, who act as agents for prominent artists and authors all over the country. We are all wishing you luck, Rosaire.

¶ We wonder if John and Hampton will make any more trips to Boston to buy homing pigeons after their last experience. What was it, boys? They flew back, did they not? Well, cheer up. Maybe they didn't like the Maine climate.

¶ Mr. L. Picher was recently surprised by a group from the Band who gave him a house-warming party. Refreshments were served and a good time was had by all. How do you like your new lounge chair, Ladger?

¶ Mrs. Duhamel's son, Paul, visited her over the holidays. You have reason to be proud for he is a fine boy.

¶ Is there any truth to the persistent rumor that Paul Lerose is to be married soon? Why keep us in suspense, Paul? When will it be?

¶ Why has Emelien Morin, our roving boy, stopped going to New Market, Conn.? Decided to choose a Biddeford girl, maybe. Huh!

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

¶ Generally speaking we had very happy Christmas and New Year's holidays and there have been many pretty things on display, proving Santa was very good to everyone.

¶ Loriane is pretty proud of a lovely finger ring she received, and we all agree she should be.

¶ Tony Santosola spent New Year's visiting friends in Everett, Mass.

¶ Cleo McKechnie journeyed south to spend the holidays with her son, daughter-in-law and grandson.

It swiftly floated to the breeze
Mima watched but did not care a drat.
She would not chase the pesky thing
So simply bought another hat.

¶ Old Man Winter — "Phooey," says Helen, "get yourself a palooka and some snuggies and figure out later how to get into them."

¶ Sorry to report so many absent from our room on account of sickness.

¶ Robert Boucher has been out some time with an injured knee. He is well on the road to recovery and we hope he can be with us soon.

¶ Gertrude Daly has been out with a broken wrist. We hope it won't be long before she can join us again.

¶ Alexina Guerin is ill and we all hope for a speedy recovery for her.

¶ Florence Morris is ill at her home but we hear favorable reports from her and hope she can come back to work soon.

Mr. Bouchard Travels

¶ Mr. Joseph Bouchard, our overseer, and family, accompanied by Mr. John Bergeron and family motored to Canada over the Christmas holidays. They visited their sons, who are both students, at the College of Atabaska.

¶ We have received news that Alfred Martin, our former office boy, is gradually recovering from his long illness. We all wish him the best of luck in the New Year and a speedy recovery.

¶ Lawrence L. better watch himself from now on for the girls sure will smile at him when they see him riding around Main Street in that flashy Ford V8.

¶ Classes have been reorganized in our room, and considerable interest has been shown. Quite a few loomfixers, and young men eager to learn, have enrolled and attend classes on Saturday mornings.

¶ Under the excellent teaching of our Overseer, Mr. Bouchard, and his three assistants, Mr. Poitras, Mr. Lantagne and Mr. Margerison, we are assured that the outcome will be a success.



Betty McKenna is employed in the Sheet Factory at Lewiston.

WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

REPORTERS FOR THE PEPPERELL SHEET

FALL RIVER

CARDROOM		Off Duty
Beatrice Dupuis	Doffing & Creeling	1.00 P.M.
WEAVE ROOM (Cotton)		
Phyllis LePage	Weaver	2.45 P.M.
WEAVE ROOM (Rayon)		
Leo Chabot	Machine Twister	5.00 P.M.
CLOTH ROOM (Cotton)		
Ruth Crompton	Inspector	3.45 P.M.
MACHINE SHOP		
Roy MacDonald	Time Keeper & Helper	3.45 P.M.
CLOTH ROOM (Rayon)		
Viola Bartsch	Inspector	3.45 P.M.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

¶ Broncho Buster (Martin Lannigan) is just another hero in our world of news, he raced up and stopped two dangerous high strung, red eyed, panicky horses, that were running away, without any driver. He quieted them with soothing words and kind attention until their driver came to claim them.

¶ Yes, they were very speedy horses, they were owned by the W.P.A.

¶ Spring must be near, Luther Blossom is not wearing his car muffs any more. His cat has returned after two weeks' absence, so he is happy with the world again.

¶ The Maintenance Bowling League is still living up to its laurels. They are holding down their bottom position, as usual.

¶ Joseph Carpenter from all accounts is still looking for an apartment.

¶ Riddle — Why is the Machine Shop kept cleaner than ever before? Could it be that Sycamore Lord's wife is training him?

¶ We wonder why Tom "R" wants his picture taken, he seems quite anxious.

CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River

¶ We wish to welcome Mr. John Ryan as the new second-hand in our department. He tells us he finds his work very interesting.

¶ Just who is the lucky girl Eddie Barrette is courting, could it be Olive Soares?

Our brick mason, Dominic Dentico, at Biddeford. "Donno" still can't figure out if the mortar keeps the bricks together or keeps them apart. He was captain of the champion tug of war team here.



¶ John Soares has great ambitions to be a fireman, hope that you pass the examinations, John.

¶ We hear your husband is taking dancing lessons, Bertha. How is he doing?

¶ We're sorry to hear that Ann Dupre's mother is so ill. We wish her a speedy recovery.

¶ Bernard Thibault is also a newcomer in our department. He's the new bobbin boy.

¶ Tommy Canfield has been promoted. How do you like the job, Tommy?

¶ We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Victor Nadeau on the arrival of a baby daughter.

¶ Keep up the good work Michel Nerbonne, you'll be the champion bowler yet.

WEAVE ROOM, MILL "A" — Fall River

¶ Did you know that with this number *The Pepperell Sheet* is celebrating its first birthday with the Fall River Employees? It is hoped that you have enjoyed reading this *Sheet* during the past year and may we extend to all of you, who have helped in any way to make this column, our hearty congratulations and best wishes. The life of the *Sheet* depends upon all of you, so feed it generously with worthwhile contributions.

¶ Who, I ask, is this fellow they call "Blackie?" Regardless, "Blackie" after several months of deep concentration has taken up a course in Air Conditioning. The coming thing, he claims. Good luck to you, Joe. Joe, "Blackie" works on the third floor, south, as a loom cleaner and greaser.

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See if you can pick out your old friends, Oscar Dupont and Louis Serois, of the Fall River Plant, Weaving, Mill B.





Edward Palman, one of the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Palman. Edward is a freshman at Notre Dame University. At the right is Larry Lorentzen, son of William Lorentzen, Head Piper at the Lewiston Division.

SHEETING SPINNING — Biddeford

¶ We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Alma Cote in her recent bereavement.
¶ Gus Menard is our prize jitterbug. Anyone that would like to see him do his stuff, go to the Log Cabin any Saturday night.
¶ O. F., of 8-4 A, is getting his motor boat ready for spring. It won't be long now, O'Neil.
¶ H. Bill is a busy boy these days getting orders for eggs. Anyone wishing to get fixed up for Easter, see Bill of 8-4 A, or in fact, any time. Hey Bill!
¶ J. T. of 8-4 A motored to Boston with a party over the New Year's week-end and reported a wonderful time.

HAPPILY EVER AFTER

When we first met he called me Miss Hendricks.
An hour later it was Marjory.
The next week Margry.
Then Margry dear.
Just before we married it was Darling.
Afterward it was Sweetness.
For a while, Sweetie.
And sometimes, Dearie.
Then Dear.
Now, it's Hey you!

¶ Those who work in 7-4 are wondering what that thing is growing on their roving boy's upper lip. Could you tell them, Cote?
¶ All the boys are looking forward to that soft-ball team that the Pepperell is forming.
¶ Christmas was very good to girls in 54-B. Isabelle D. and Gertrude G. each had a diamond ring.
¶ We are glad that we have Mrs. Beatrice V. back to work with us. Hope you will forget about that accident.
¶ Room 54-B sympathizes with the family of Seraphim Oliver on account of his death on December 2nd.
¶ Mrs. M. Nolette from Room 25-C was a holiday visitor in Lewiston.

Mr. Dubois Moves

¶ Mr. G. Dubois, formerly employed on the Second Shift has been transferred to the Third Shift in Room 25-B.
¶ Mrs. E. Beauchemin, Room 25-B, was a visitor in Manchester over the Christmas holiday.
¶ We are pleased to see Mrs. Anna Perreault back to work with us after treatment at a local hospital, due to a nail piercing her foot.
¶ Mr. Arthur Couture bought a moving camera for his kids. He was so interested in it that he kept it for himself. I hope that you see some wonderful pictures.
¶ The Shadow is the "jig gob" of the room. Friday before New Year's Eve he visited every woman in the room to wish them Happy New Year.
¶ Miss Juliette Legare is so unhappy because the boys did not wish her Happy New Year.
¶ "Calling Car." "Calling Car." Mr. Huot lost his shoes. He looked all day for his shoes. He was so unhappy because he lost his shoes. But the next morning he found them on the corner of Main and Alfred Streets.

¶ Jake is the ice man of the room. Every morning he goes to the windows to knock off the ice.
¶ Mrs. Antoinette Sevigny is going to take a vacation. We wish you luck, Antoinette.

ROOM 24-B

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Garceau and Mr. and Mrs. Fortier motored to New York over the holidays.
¶ Mrs. Maude Berthiaume is a patient at the Webber Hospital with a broken ankle. Hope to have you back with us soon.
¶ Mrs. Mathilda Guilbeault has been out sick for a week.
¶ Rose likes boiled eggs and meat pie so much that she had to stay out the next day.
¶ Mrs. Blanche Roy and husband motored to Boston recently. They had a pleasant time shopping and seeing the sights.
¶ We regret the loss of Mrs. Pato Marakon as one of our co-workers. She has moved to New Bedford and will be missed by everybody.
¶ Mr. Rosaire Talbot has been transferred from Second to Third Shift.
¶ Mr. Ernest Fournier of 54-B was recently transferred to Room 84-A as doffer.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Rosaire Talbot are the proud parents of a baby girl, born to them December 15th.
¶ We have a new arrival in the spinning department, Mrs. Nolette, sister-in-law of Mary Marchand of the same department.
¶ Florence Gendron who has been out one week on account of illness is now back at work.
¶ Marie Louis Neault has been transferred from the Second to the First Shift.
¶ Lucienne Bernier attended the circus at the Exposition Building in Portland recently.
¶ Marguerite Hurtubise went to Limerick, Maine, to spend the week-end at Christmas time with her relatives.

If wrenches can fix it, Clarence Williams of Biddeford knows how to use them. He was returning to the Pipe Shop after repairing a watercooler when interrupted for this shot.



Napoleon Frechette of Biddeford, a loom fixer by trade, was recently awarded a special prize in the suggestion contest. He tells us that very soon he is to offer another idea to benefit loom operators.



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¶ Ovide Michaud looks to be one of these happy-go-lucky fellows with never a worry or a care. We wonder if you'll look that way when you are married. Come on big boy, what are you waiting for?

¶ The iron man in the Pepperell is Dell Jessaume. After eight hours of hard labor, he is the first to go out of the Mill at night.

¶ Jim Abdullah told the boys to sing "Roll Out The Barrel" as it is his favorite song.

¶ Camille Williams, better known as "Kid Romance" spends most of his time combing his hair. He is recognized as Pepperell's number one glamour boy.

¶ Willbrod Rioux seems to have a way with people, every morning everyone gives him a great big smile. How do you do it, big boy?

¶ Ed Jammen (Happy Holiday) quit smoking temporarily because he felt like a chimney he has smoked so much.

¶ Antone Perry holds dear to his heart, the home where he was born.

¶ Leo Doucette likes sports very much, especially hunting, fishing and swimming.

¶ Albert Normandin claims to be the best weaver on the third shift, the fastest anyhow.

¶ The only time Telesphore Beaudry puts a smile on his face is when he gets paid.

¶ Walter Davion made friends with everyone the first day he worked here. That's something to be proud of.

¶ Henry Chauveau (Kid Spud) is more interested in running his Looms than anything else. Keep them going, Henry.

¶ There was great ado when Armand Fortier lost his vizor. He claimed to have left it hanging on the door knob, and it wasn't there. The next day he found it on one of the Looms. Well, here's hoping you don't hang your head there some day, Armand.

¶ All Aleck Mizher needs for his car is a new battery, a new motor, a new body, new spark plugs and it will run okay.

¶ Wedding bells rang for Albert Caron. He spent his honeymoon in Maine and New York.

¶ Alfonse Fournier is a member of the weavers squad in the third shift. He asked to be paged.

¶ John Hallal is one of the best figure skaters in this section. He figures how to stay on the skates without falling.

¶ Theodore Hamel thinks of nothing but the future ahead of him, and that's his work.

¶ Sam David wished he had a million dollars so he could go on a vacation. What kind of a vacation would it be, Sammy?

¶ Witty little William Beauchesne meant well when he said it was going to snow, but it rained. He would have been correct if the sun hadn't melted the snow on the way down. How about it, Big Boy?

¶ James Hallal is one of the best all around athletes in the Pepperell Mills and in Fall River. He was picked on an all star team in baseball, football, and basketball.

¶ Ray Jardin played Santa Claus to his wife this year and bought her a diamond ring.

¶ Daniel Michool has finally taken the fatal step. Sooner than we expected, I'll say. On his return from his honeymoon he was welcomed home by his friends. Dan sure knows how to smile now.

WEAVING "B" — Fall River

¶ Lorraine Lord's last excuse for being late collapsed when her boy friend bought her a vanity set for Christmas.

¶ Leo Durand wants people to ask him what time it is so he can have the opportunity to sport his new wrist watch.

¶ A collection is being made in the Weave Room to get Whitey a pair of specks, the doors in his house seem to bother his eyes.

¶ Adrain Chagnon's twenty-first birthday is creeping up on him and he is already practicing looking like a man.

¶ Santa Claus must have left Mary Mello quite a sock, because it gave her a two weeks' vacation. Lucky you.

¶ Edward and Lillian Lord spent the holidays visiting her parents in Derry, N. H.

¶ Janet Brosseau's co-workers are making sure she gets a good start. They presented her with twenty dollars. The wedding will take place January 27th.

¶ We heard, but we only heard, that Louis Sirois put on quite a floor show in a bus New Year's Eve. His friends express the belief that had a talent scout been there, we wouldn't have bashful Louis.

¶ Yvonne Schmidt and family spent the holiday in Canada.

¶ Leona and Laura St. Germain are developing quite a technique for knitting during the noon hour.

¶ Leo Lamothe bought his wife a mixer for Christmas. Ever since he has been on a sponge cake diet. Some one of these days, he is going to come bouncing into work.

¶ Donat Coderre must be lucky in love because he certainly isn't lucky in cards. Even the amateurs practice on him before they take on the good players.

¶ James Belshaw is saving up for cigars. The stork plans a visit to his home in the near future.

¶ Santa Claus Lash must have gotten stuck in the chimney because his weavers are still waiting for their reed hooks.

¶ Most of Olivette Proux's spare time is spent in trying to fill her cedar chest.

¶ We will all be glad to see Gabriel Costa back to work with us. Hope you are well soon, Gab.

¶ Lou Cosmos was so surprised at the birthday party her friends had for her she couldn't get over the shock for a few days. She received a lot of nice presents and a beautiful birthday cake.

CLOTH ROOM "B" — Fall River

¶ The girls held their tenth Annual Christmas Party at the Hofbrau in Pawtucket, about 45 attended and everyone had a good time.

¶ Ethel Marston went to Boston to see "Gone With The Wind." How was it, Ethel?

¶ We're all glad to see that Luther Wood is well and back on the job.

¶ Congratulations to Dot Mercer who was elected the new Secretary of the Pepperell Social Club.

¶ We're all glad to see Leda Fitzgerald is back on the job.

¶ Dancing effects people in different ways. To Al Bessette it makes left seem right and right seem left, at any rate on January 6th at a dance Al put the girl friend's overshoes on that way. How about it, Al?

WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

THE LEWISTON STAFF

Harry J. Vaughn, *Lewiston Editor*

REPORTERS

DOROTIE B. MYNAHAN	Office
ARMAND BRETON	Yard
GERALD FLYNN	Storehouse
FRED WOODCOCK	Grey Room
THOMAS CUNNINGHAM	Dye House
JOHN CONLEY	Dye House
JOHN WADE	Napping Room No. 1
ROSARIO PAQUETTE	Napping Room No. 1
AIME TURCOTTE	Napping Room No. 2
WILLIAM JOYCE	Can Room
FRANK LONGLEY	Frame Room
CARL PROCTOR	Machine Shop
EUGENE MADDEN	Box Shop
HAROLD DUSTON	Special Cloth Dept.
ROBERT CAMERON	White Folding Room
JOHN TURNER	Colored Folding Room
WILLIAM O'CONNELL	Packing Room
WILLIAM WINN	Shoe Goods Dept.
ELLEN LANE	Sheet Factory
BLANCHE SAWYER	Sheet Factory
OLIVE WARD	Sheet Factory
KATHERINE BOURISK	Sheet Factory
ANN CROWLEY	Sheet Factory

With Special Articles by AUDRY DUBE

DEATH TAKES VETERAN LEWISTON EMPLOYEE

Pierre Vaillancourt, for many years Napping Room foreman at the Lewiston Plant, passed away in December after a two-year illness. Mr. Vaillancourt, or as he was better known, Peter, had a wide circle of friends not only in the Pepperell organization but throughout the twin cities.

Our sympathy goes out to his bereaved family.

OFFICE — Lewiston

¶ Blanche Sherry was quite pleased about winning an "All Expenses Paid" trip to Boston, but just think how overjoyed she would have been if it had been to New York. More interest there, eh Blanche?

¶ Have you noticed the bad case of "Puppy Love" Francis Linehan has towards a Fair One in the office.

¶ E. Clark and John Murphy are having a private bowling match (when they stop postponing the date) of ten strings. We're afraid it will be more of an endurance or stamina contest. Ten strings are a lot, Gentlemen!

¶ Emma, if you are still wondering who gave you that lipstick for Christmas, ask us. We know.

¶ Yvonne Painchaud had a fine beginning for the New Year. Her home was badly damaged by fire, January 1st.

¶ Every week-end during the winter months, Wes Ricker and Uno Harta head for the country to ski. Uno's home town, West Paris, is right near good skiing locations, but Wes has to journey quite a way out.

¶ How many in this office know they have a Poet working with them. Ted Murphy claims to be one, although there is neither rhyme nor rhythm to the lines of his so-called poetry.

¶ Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William T. Lawlor on the birth of a 9 pound 10 ounce son, born on January 11th. Mr. Lawlor, one of our executives, is the proudest man in the world.

CAN ROOM — Lewiston

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS OF THE CAN ROOM

Robert Cooper.....More work and less play.

Johnny Hopkins.....Not to be so crabby to fellow-workers.

Emilde Soucy.....Get to work on time.

Henry Landry.....To buy his own chewing tobacco during 1940.

Joe Lablonde.....Sweep the floors faithfully.

Romeo Oliver.....To bring an alarm clock to work.

Denny O'Brien.....Listen faithfully to the Green Hornet. (I mean the radio program.)

Adrien Paradis.....Stop looking in the mirror on the Boss' desk.

Alex Healey.....To be to work at four instead of five.

¶ In the last issue we stated that Robert Cooper was the strongest man of the Can Room but Joseph Morin says he is the strong man and challenges Mr. Cooper to a weight-lifting contest. No date has been set for the contest as yet; but if we know Mr. Cooper, there will be no contest.

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Here's a likely trio. Don Olquin, Floyd Harding and Bill Leger, of the Special Cloth Department of the Bleachery. If it's production you want, these boys will get it.





Bob Roy and Art Gosselin, of the Special Cloth Department in Lewiston, are a pair of hustlers.

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¶ Stanley Smith tells us he goes skating faithfully every night. So, we asked him why he went every night. Stanley replied, "I expect a date with Sonja Henie."
¶ Johnny Hopkins is now a member of the American Legion Indoor baseball team. Johnny told us that he expects to be batting champion of the league during 1940. Johnny tells us he has been doing road work and weight-lifting to develop his arms. He runs to work every morning.

SPECIAL CLOTHS DEPT. — Lewiston

Gus Lungren — Our foreman is an enthusiastic fisherman and a mighty hunter.
Minot Morse — He is the fellow who supplies those super fine fresh eggs and the turkeys for Thanksgiving Day.
Bill Leger — Bill is an accomplished bowler in the winter and a persistent fisherman in the summer time.
Harold Duston — Is an ardent fisherman and amateur photographer.
Bob Auger — Bob is a bowler and a fine shoe salesman.
"Wally" Whitham — Wally is a fine fellow and a mechanical genius.
Franky Keneborus — Franky's father and three brothers work in the Bleachery. With two brothers getting married soon, we are waiting to hear from Franky.
Don Olquin — Don is the proud father of a new baby girl.
Floyd Harding — Floyd is our news broadcaster. We do not need the morning paper any more.
Stanley Clements — Stanley is a great political worker.
Fred Haley — Fred is the great lover. He has well earned his nickname of "Casanova." We understand however, that he has finally met his match and is completely tamed. By the way girls, Freddy really blushes.
Percy Dewhurst — Percy rolls and inspects our cloth. He does not need new glasses.
Arthur Gosselin — Has a real man-sized family. Arthur also sells shoes.
Bob Roy — Is our most eligible bachelor. He is tall, dark and handsome and a swell dancer. His telephone number will be sent free to the first hundred girls writing in.

WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

¶ We understand that "One Round" Tom O'Brien had quite a time New Year's Eve, trying to pull somebody's leg.
¶ It has been rumored that "Pete" Bonneau spent twenty good iron men for a ring to give his gal for Christmas — Must have been love at first sight. But, I suppose two weeks are long enough for "Pete," who has the reputation of being a fast man.

¶ What's this we hear about "Jake" Stankis stealing all "Bill" Hamilton's gals? That right, "Jake"?
¶ We would like to express here our regret and deep-felt sympathy to "Gene" Gaudreau who lost by death, one of his pet mink.

¶ Anyone having news of interest for this reporter can be sure that their names will be kept secret. Come on gals and help out your poor reporter. (Boy, I need it.)

¶ We have heard, via the grapevine, that certain people are trying to get a reporter to report the reporters. We had better get together, gang, as we don't want this to happen. Of course, we are not worried, but how about the rest of you?

NOTICE TO STOCKMEN

¶ According to one of our stampers, there is still some pretty good stock left down Lisbon Falls way. But he says to get it young so as to bring it up right. That's right, isn't it "Eddie"?
¶ We are serving notice on one "Tom" Mechan that he had better keep to the straight and narrow trail for we are camping on it.

¶ We know that there are some strange and funny places where one might celebrate New Year's. But listen to this. Now, we may be wrong, but as near as a few of us could figure it out, Royer spent his out on the "Desert of Maine."

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YARD — Lewiston

¶ Dave "Hook" Ouellette is still looking for his truck? Hope you find it, Dave.

¶ No. 2. Joe "Cap" Hachey is very proud of his new cap. You look like a young man, more power to you.

¶ No. 3. Alphe Caron is building a new wing on his house. When it's all ready, let us know, Pete. We will throw a party.

¶ No. 4. Mr. Cucumber Gouette, still talking about his rhubarb. Is it still growing, Fred?

¶ No. 5. You're getting pretty fat, Bedeau, since you got your new teeth. The steak must be pretty good.

¶ No. 6. Sam St. Denis went to see Tizoune, his cousin from Montreal, and he got such a big kick out of the play, that he's still laughing. It's very becoming, Sam, keep it up.

¶ No. 7. Kid Lizotte thinks that he should go into the second-hand furniture business. We hope you do. We're pulling for you.

¶ No. 8. Jim Powers is thinking of buying himself a motorcycle to run up and down Bleachery hill. He is so used to riding, poor Jim.

¶ No. 9. Nap Pepper Martin, can be seen in his sunporch this time of the year. Is it your rheumatism, Nap?

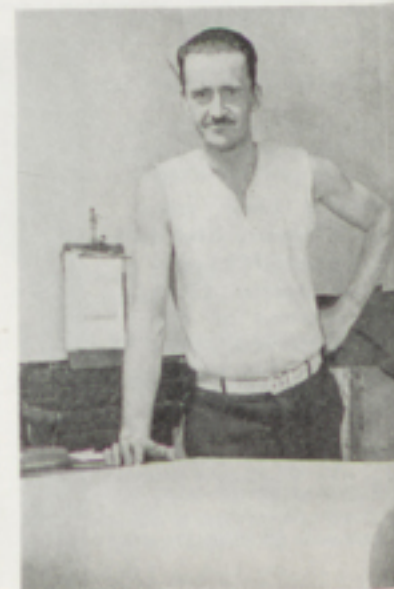
NAPPING ROOM #2 — Lewiston

¶ Warning!!! If you hear noises similar to a fog-horn, don't be alarmed. It's only Belleville at it again — the music maker.

¶ You ought to stick in the U. S. A. more, Mr. Dumais. We think the climate out in Canada is bad for you. (How was she?)

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A former star baseball pitcher, Stanley Clements, of the Special Cloth Department in Lewiston, all ready for another workout with the pill.





Mr. Edwin W. Adams, Superintendent of the Bleachery at Lewiston. Mr. Adams is one of the many boosters of this magazine.

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¶ Mr. Armand Vaillancourt is the Professor of the department. But, please, Professor, practice what you preach.
¶ Roger Turcotte is very fond of station W.C.O.U. now that he has moved near the W.C.O.U. antenna.
¶ Ed Morin is all smiles these days because he said that he was gaining weight rapidly. Pretty soon he will be in the feather-weight class. Height 5' 5", weight 118. Good Luck, Ed. Oh, Yeah, he's a boxer.

By Believe It or Not, D. Caron.

¶ Two can't live as cheap as one.
¶ We think that the love bug has been going around the department. How about it, Charlie and Leon?
¶ To the women only: If you want any advice concerning the use of cosmetics, we would advise you to communicate with Mr. Binette, our department Beautician.
¶ Mr. Ouellette thinks that he should have been born twenty years later. We will know why by the time the next issue is out.

SHOE GOODS DEPARTMENT — Lewiston

¶ Alda Finn is on a strict candy diet but goes strong for those three-decker sandwiches in Hayes' Diner on Saturday nights.
¶ Ruth Fenderson, after many unsuccessful attempts to organize fishing trips, is now trying to get together an ice fishing party.
¶ Helen Taylor is lost Saturday evenings now that the Red Wheel is closed.
¶ Conrad Nadeau is receiving congratulations on the birth of another bouncing baby boy. Conrad claims he is battling for a thousand.
¶ We think John Finn should see a doctor about his chest because it has fallen down to his belt.
¶ Ernest Gousse's co-workers are glad he is not using that strong soap on his hair lately.
¶ Joe Grimmel who is quite a water dog can hardly wait until the swimming season starts at Taylor Pond to do some of his famous underwater stunts.
¶ The gang at the Frame Room end of the room thought the hum came from the fan at the coating machines until the machines were stopped Friday; but the hum was found to be Lila and Adaline in earnest conversation.
¶ Albert "Blondy" Dagneau likes the view out of his front window. We wonder if the pretty Polish girls who walk by there have something to do with it.

NAPPING ROOM #1 — Lewiston

¶ Lionel (Nel) Caron has been barred from chewing by the boys he bummed from and also by the boss (Mrs. Caron).
¶ Walter Buwid told the boys he was going out to see a model home. Ernest Giroux wanted him to fix him up with her girl friend.
¶ Sam Ouellette has been under the doctor's care for the past three years and is now responding to the treatment. Good Luck, Sam.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Emile Morin spent two weeks in Canada visiting relatives over the Holidays.
¶ Ted Lane is the new genius of the department. He made Rosaire pay for a dinner but we all believe Jack got the worst of it.
¶ Chief Lawrence Rhoades was very peeved over our giving his wrong age in the last issue, so we wish to apologize to him. He will not go to the reservation to live until 1941 instead of 1940.
¶ Our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Pierre Vaillancourt over the recent death of her husband who was Foreman of this department for the past fifteen years.
¶ Some of Jack Wade's co-workers are wondering if he made enough profit on the hamburger stand to invest in a hirsute adornment.
¶ Joe Bousquet has been singing "Scatterbrain" so much that he has Joseph Mikailonis making google eyes.
¶ J. N. P. took part in so many battles in Europe that you would think that he was the last one to leave the German scuttled ship.
¶ Bill Judson is a corn salesman. He had to cancel half of his order.
¶ The boys are chipping together to buy "Phil" Poussard a new alarm clock.
¶ George Bernier joined the Y.M.C.A. by surprise.
¶ After bowling on Tuesday, John Wade complained the rest of the week about his arm.
¶ If you want to know the difference between a "stream line" and a man, see "Phil Coulombe."

FRAME ROOM — Lewiston

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

MacFarlane: To watch the speed limits.
Gerry Belanger: To let his wife buy her own clothes.
Buster Stevens: To move to Lisbon Falls.
Tommy Crossley: To start a taxi business.
Charlie Clements: Change his initials to C. M. G.
Johnny Grimmel: No more raffles.
Frank Lalonde: To stop fixing oil burners.
Bill Collins: To stop buying cedar chests.
Jimmy Stone: Not to take his Ford apart any more.
Frank Michaud: To get interested in Billy.
Johnny Hurd: To stop talking about his will power.
Fern Roux: To stop being curious.
John Boyak: To stop bringing onions for lunch.

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John Hallisy, at Biddeford, shown using the scales that tell the weight of moisture in a single strand of thread. John has been working at Pepperell several years now.



Unfortunately this picture does not reveal the real beauty of Christine Bak employed in the Sheet Factory at Lewiston. Christine is a prominent leader in the local Polish Club.

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¶ "Add" Pelletier has been vigorously denying the rumor that he is slipping as a bowler. He challenges anyone in the plant to a ten-string match for the championship of this division.

¶ Bill Driscoll's wife has given up her habit of walking down to meet him nights since the present rush started. Bill had to work overtime a few nights and the long wait in the cold discouraged her.

¶ Ovilla Goyette has just finished installing a new furnace in his hothouse. Ovilla expects to have a fine line of plants and vegetables to bring into the boys this spring.

¶ "Doc" Ricker buys his milk in the queerest places. Doc has been seen coming out of some funny looking stores but he insists he only goes in to get a quart of milk for the wife.

¶ Don Bryant was out stepping high, wide and handsome, New Year's Eve. Don was escorting one of the Bates Mill Beauties and they made a very attractive couple. Don took first honors in a Prize Polka Contest and finished second-best in another contest.

¶ Pete LePage has finally been hooked. Pete came across with a big diamond for a Christmas present. Trust Pete to think of a way to save money.

¶ Bob Gough hasn't been having any luck with his girl friends lately. Every time he has a date he always picks on someone that is engaged or going steady and Bob gets no loving that night.

¶ Don't let Connie Clark's scowl and loud tone of voice scare anyone. These are only the natural results of the correspondence course on, "How to be an Executive," that Connie is now taking up.

¶ Russ Holland's butter and egg business is still expanding. Russ is seriously thinking of buying a farm and really going into competition with some of the bigger farmers.

¶ Henry Fahey, who is quite a dog fancier, has been giving Tom Gormley some pointers on how to tell a good dog when he sees one. Tom has an Irish setter and would like to board him out till he is housebroken. Chance for a dog lover to make a little spare cash.

GREY ROOM — Lewiston

¶ The Grey Room has perhaps the best jitterbug in Maine in the person of one Albert A. Gowell. He challenges anyone in Maine to bring a partner to Auburn Hall any night and see who is who.

¶ Joe Gorman is one of the best basketball players in this section of the state. He is a former Edward Little High player. He played also with the L B D W team a couple of years ago. He is now playing with the Auburn Mavericks a fast semi-pro team and also with the Auburn Y.M.C.A.

¶ We haven't heard many reports from Foreman Howard Call on ice fishing this winter. Perhaps as yet the ice isn't frozen hard enough. Last year he was one of the most successful pickerel fishermen in the city.

¶ The important event of the month is the impending hockey game between the Bleachery softball team and the Grey Room-Wash Room combine.

COLORED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

¶ Pauline Vaillancourt has her boy friend pretty well trained after all. They were seen in one of our department stores recently and Pauline had her Johnny along to criticize her choice of long flannel underwear.

¶ Dick Longley has given up playing the gypsy's and is now concentrating on someone called Helene. Bought her a hope chest for Christmas.

¶ Wanda Dudzic has decided to find a sugar daddy. Wanda is tired of working and is looking for someone to take care of her and her family.

¶ Harry Walker is contemplating having his car repaired, but isn't sure whether it would do any good. His daughter, since becoming a nurse, insists on using the car and Harry is beginning to believe her driving is the source of all the trouble.

¶ Leo Laflamme has been wondering if it wouldn't be a good idea to start carrying his dinners. Every noon the wife makes him take her little pooch for an airing. The canal never freezes, Leo.

¶ Johnny McKenna, a former Ranger and now chairman of the entertainment committee for the Mohawks, never seems to stop planning new ways to keep the kids interested. After leading them through an undefeated (touch) football season, "Pinky" has the kids building a ski tower in the pasture where he intends to teach the finer points in the art of jumping.

¶ Roland Frechette has found a night job for his better half and now wonders if he didn't pull a boner. Roland has to mind the baby nights and can't get his quota of sleep in any more.

¶ Ralph Verville has taken up bowling to keep down his waistline. Ralph is keeping right in shape for all future political battles in Auburn.

¶ Rita McKenna, whose heart belongs in Worcester, is telling us she had a very quiet New Year's. This may be so, but she is known to have invited four different fellows to a formal. What's the matter Rita, slipping?

¶ Grace Cote has made a new batch of wine and has invited some of her fellow-workers over to try it. Better be careful who you give those invitations to, Grace.

¶ Loretta Grenier, our latest addition, could have her pick of the young fellows around here, but her heart interest lies at the St. Doms. Loretta seldom misses a night skating with the lad at the Arena.

BOX SHOP — Lewiston

¶ Fred Marquis didn't fall off the wagon New Year's. He received that dislocated shoulder by looking too often at that wrist watch his wife gave him for Christmas.

¶ Tim O'Leary, former extraordinary, has been getting some first-hand tips on forestry from Albert O'Brien who has recently returned from a tour of duty at one of the state C.C.C. camps.

¶ Lucien Pelletier has been bragging so much about what a clever barber he is that his fellow workers, "Babe" Renaud and

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Alphonse Poirier, a Loom Fixer in the Sheeting Division at Biddeford, gives us encouragement as to what we may be doing in a few months. Incidentally, Mr. Poirier made this canoe himself, for which we give him a great amount of credit.



This attractive young lady is Laura Lavalliere, a Battery Hand in the Biddeford Blanket Weave Room. Laura has been employed four years on the Second Shift.

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Danny Capano: Not to get lost on Oak Street.
Armand Soucy: To keep his chin up.
Ralph Corriveau: To leave the war in Europe.
Ray Pinard: To stop blaming everything on the hockey stick.
Norman Turner: To stop buying mirrors for Tex Wiseman.
Charlie Wade: To sell his truck and buy an automobile.
George Keneborus: To stop supporting the Maple Cafe.
Fern Roux: To let his kids go sliding alone.
Alphe Custeau: Not to be frightened by mice.
Jack Collins: To chew tobacco correctly.
¶ We wish that "Goof" Downing would show us the girls he goes out with instead of the flower bills he displays.
¶ The boys are wondering if Frank Michaud will give the blond the air for "Sweetie Pie" Cote?
¶ Charlie Clements was kept waiting so long in front of the telephone office the other evening that when he went to start his car the radiator was frozen.
¶ After saving cigar coupons all these years, everybody is wondering why you need a magnifying glass to see the diamond Norman Turner gave his girl.
¶ What do you think of Tommy Crossley charging Gerry Belanger a quarter for giving him a ride home from the Super-Market Friday afternoon?
¶ Frank "Murphy" Lalonde has been seen visiting the local dance halls again and from all reports is quite a jitterbug.
¶ Felicien Hypolite Nadeau's water pump froze up but has now thawed out and is working perfectly.
¶ We hear that Billy Cote is trying to cut in on "Popeye." Better be careful, Billy.
¶ We wonder if "Pete" Laliberte would have turned gray so soon if a certain Miss hadn't started meeting him after work on Thursday afternoons.
¶ "Pop" Corriveau has finally returned from the game of basketball. When asked why, he stated it was due to crackling bones.
¶ Johnny Grimmell has had his Ford for nearly two months. About time for a raffle, isn't it, John?
¶ Gerry Belanger was voted the most hen-pecked man in the Frame Room as the result of an election held last Friday morning.
¶ Buster Stevens cares much more for the company in a small town than he does in the city.
¶ Jack Collins seems to have taken quite a liking to MacFarlane's new desk.
¶ Johnny Jepson has been taking wood-sawing lessons from Tom Crossley. To date he has broken four saws.
¶ Gerry Belanger has been seen in a well-known Women's Shop picking out his wife's clothes.

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

¶ We extend our sincere sympathy to Margaret Tardiff in her recent bereavement. We are also glad to have Margaret back to work again. She had been ill for quite some time.

¶ Jane Sawyer would just love to have some cotton so she could use it in her ears every time "Bunny" Casey whistles. Is your whistling as bad as all that, Bunny?
¶ We wonder what Christine Bak would do without her daily visitor.

¶ Helen McMahon, one of our doublers, spent the holiday in Boston. Helen had a grand time and just wishes that there would be a holiday every week-end.

¶ Our three jolly musketeers, Betty, Thelma, and Mildred, certainly do like their lunches. And, are they careful of that diet!!!!

¶ The Sheet Factory is very fortunate in having two radio stars in their midst. Gerard Grenier sang over W.C.O.U. and won second prize. A few weeks later Greta Paquette played the piano over this same station. A prize for you next time, Greta.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Emile Morin spent two weeks in Quebec. Mrs. Morin journeyed these 700 miles to see her father who is eighty years old.

¶ Nellie Lane, one of our star reporters, and most popular employee, has returned to work after an illness of several weeks. She underwent a serious surgical operation, but is rapidly rounding into good health.

¶ Our towel department seems to have jumped to "No. 1" in importance. We have a new crew of girls working on the towels in charge of Dorothy Casey. Keep up the good work, girls.

¶ Theresa Flynn is still waiting for Santa to come. Will he remember Theresa? Or is there a Santa?

¶ We are glad to have Laura Duperry back with us again. Laura's health has improved a great deal in the past few weeks.

¶ Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Boudreault who were married recently. Mrs. Boudreault was formerly Madelyn Baker and works on the second shift in the Sheet Factory.

¶ Owing to the fact that two of our reporters were on the sick list and two others were indisposed, our news items are not so numerous for this issue; but with all back on deck, we expect to do better the next time.

¶ Mrs. Myra Conley is one of our newest employees. Welcome, Myra, hope you like us.

PACKING ROOM — Lewiston

¶ Bill Hamilton has a new girl friend. Her name is "Windy" and she is a student nurse. She is five feet in height, a brunette, and weighs 101 pounds. Her name gives an idea of her talking ability. Add Bill's line to her chatter and figure out the kind of an evening they must spend. Pick on someone your size, Hamilton.

¶ Bullet Wade's interest has switched from football to hockey. His son "B. B." is a regular defenseman on the L.H.S. hockey team. We extend our sympathies to Bullet for all the long nights he'll have to spend in the icebox.

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The great lover, Fred Haley, of the Special Cloth Department. A sort of movie actor pose, too.



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"Pete" Poulin, called his bluff and went to his home to let him try his tonsorial art on them. After he shaved "Babe" and put him on the shelf for the night, "Pete" refused to take his turn at bat.

¶ Wesley "Cy" Reynolds and Mrs. Reynolds spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Gardiner, Maine. "Cy" reports the ice fishing as excellent along the Imperial Kennebec.

¶ Nazaire Bonenfant recently attended the opening of the fine new club house and skating rink of the Maple Leaf Athletic Club of which his son "Bucky" is one of the directors. Nazaire, himself a former fancy figure skating champ, gave the crowd a fifteen minute exhibition on the steel blades and they say he performed with all the speed and grace of a Sonja Henie.

¶ Among the recent improvements Bill Parker has made in his home on Switzerland Terrace is the installing of a modern bathroom. Bill says it is much better than crossing the road on these cold wintry days.

¶ "Pete" Poulin and Lucien Pelletier whose side line is raising turkeys report a nice profit from the sale of these birds at Thanksgiving time.

¶ Jim Gauthier, president of the Box Shop Pinochle Club, says that when it comes to playing pinochle Methode Rancourt is "The Little Man Who Wasn't There."

¶ Gene Moore has prophesied an open winter. Gene sure believes in himself or he wouldn't still be wearing those white sport shoes.

¶ Emile Pelletier says that his partner, Leo Rancourt, Lewiston's well-known radio song bird, is always humming the tune "Here Comes The Man With The Mandolin" or maybe it isn't the mandolin.

DYE HOUSE — Lewiston

¶ Adelard Frechette, who works on the jigs, received a carpenter set from his wife for Christmas. Maybe he is going to build a little home of his own.

¶ Who stole the Scotchman's milk the other morning? Some say it was Ernie. Have you noticed the cute little eyebrow he is raising on his upper-lip? He will make a good double for Lawrence Tibbets.

¶ Charles "Butch" Libby is keeping Bachelor Quarters for a few weeks. His best girl is visiting friends in New York.

¶ The New Year started off great for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Cormier who were the proud parents of a baby girl.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Cotealso are the parents of a baby girl. This new addition makes Tony's family complete — two boys and two girls. Nice going, Tony.

¶ Why doesn't somebody take pity on C. Libby? A pencil, a knife. What brand of cigarettes do you smoke? The number one pan-handler of the Dye House.

¶ Frank Spivey is the new white hope for the heavyweight title of the Dye House.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Windle spent the holiday in Portland.

STORE HOUSE — Lewiston

¶ Dan Cronin spent Christmas week visiting his son in Washington. His son's an Attorney employed by the Government.

¶ Caleb Long is having much difficulty reading his morning paper lately, and would like to inform the dogs in the neighborhood that it's the "Sun" and not the "Post."

¶ Donald Shufeldt, our model airplane enthusiast, has recently been selected Secretary of the "Maine Gas Model Airplane Club." Friends wishing to see some of Don's models in flight can do so by going to Taylor Pond any Sunday morning. P. S. "No passengers allowed, especially Big Boy Breton."

¶ Ray Jordan our middle-aged "Fred Astaire" can still be seen tripping the light fantastic most any night of the week at the "Bucket of Blood."

¶ Bill Coulombe, our Storehouse "Caruso" or "the next thing to it," is still singing the same old song — "Where is my Wandering Truck Today."

¶ Cy Royer and Caleb Long, the "endurance Boys" who helped popularize the song hit "Give Me a Number From One to Ten" have a new tune to sing these days. The title is somewhat along the same line, "Give me a number from ten to fifteen."

STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER



Dertad Tavitian

Just how much thought have you given to the fact you are living in these United States? Here is a story about one of our employees at Biddeford which may set you to thinking. His name is Dertad Tavitian, an Armenian by birth, and a member of the Sanitation Department of the Biddeford Mill.

During the World War he served in the French Army. In 1921 he came to the States because his country was about to be absorbed by Russia. He wanted to live where a country was termed as free — free from ever-present civilian spies for no real reason at all, in his estimation. Spies that would convict and shoot a person without a trial by jury. Under the present conditions it would be unfair to tell more because the story would be termed as propaganda.

After arriving in New York he went to West Virginia and labored in the coal mines there. This did not permit him to mingle much with English speaking people but he wanted to learn the English language. If he was to become an American citizen he of course must speak the language. So he came North and settled in Biddeford. He is achieving his goal rapidly, in learning to speak well. After receiving his first citizenship papers he must wait seven more years before applying for the second, five of which have already passed.

Being of natural comical nature, he is well liked by many of the help who know him only by sight. Many of the employees speak to him because they know he is trying to do right and he can always reply in a humorous manner.

Dertad is believed to be the only Armenian working at Pepperell. He speaks fluently six languages representing the countries of Turkey, Syria, Armenia, Persia, Croatia and Greece. Not all college professors can say that.

Une histoire intéressante

A la troisième page vous trouverez une histoire qui a un sens profond et important, non seulement pour les gens qui travaillent dans les usines Pepperell dans le New England mais aussi pour des millions d'autres dans le New England — ceux qui travaillent dans d'autres usines de cotonnades et ceux qui ont un intérêt général dans le New England, comme étant une bonne place pour y vivre et y gagner sa vie.

Cette histoire nous apprend la différence qui existe dans le niveau des salaires en vigueur dans d'autres parties du pays en ce qui concerne l'industrie de textiles de coton. Peut-être tout cela n'a pas l'air trop intéressant, parce qu'on n'aime pas lire les statistiques. Mais ces chiffres sont si importants pour vous et pour le travail que vous faites, que ça vaut la peine de les lire attentivement et puis de réfléchir sur leur vraie signification.

Les chiffres que vous verrez ne sont pas un jeu de devinette. Ils ne sont pas le résultat d'idées individuelles de telle ou telle personne. Ce sont des faits actuels. Sachant que ces chiffres constituent une histoire absolument vraie, vous pouvez en les lisant arriver à une conclusion et former votre propre opinion sans être influencé en aucune façon.

Pepperell a inclus ces faits dans cette histoire, pour que vous ayez l'occasion de gagner une perspective au delà de votre position actuelle. Car, derrière la routine du travail, les grands mouvements qui sont en progrès ont à la longue un effet direct sur tous ceux qui travaillent dans l'usine. C'est une bonne idée de se dégager parfois de la scène la plus proche et de jeter un large coup d'oeil autour de soi.

David A. Cook

Mill Manager